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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed from the Patent Office on September 28, 2001.

Remarks

Restriction to one of two groups, as outlined in the Restriction Requirement, is required. Applicants hereby elect, with traverse, to prosecute the invention of Group I, including claims 1-11 and 25-26. Claims 12-24 are therefore canceled. Applicants reserve the right to prosecute claims 12-24 in a continuing application.

Applicants believe that the subject matter of the pending claims is patentable and that the instant application should accordingly be allowed. If the Examiner believes that a conversation with Applicants' attorney would be helpful in expediting prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (203) 812-3964.

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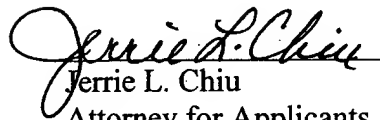
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